

REMARKS

Introduction

In response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2007, Applicants have new added claims 18-34. Claims 1-17 have been cancelled. Support for new claim 18 is found in, for example, Fig. 1. Support for new claim 19 is found in, for example, pg. 15, lines 17-27 of the originally filed application. Support for new claim 20 is found in, for example, Fig. 1. Support for new claim 21 is found in, pg. 16, 11-19. Support for new claim 22 is found in, for example, Figs. 1 and 2. Support for new claim 23 is found in, for example, pg. 18, lines 10-15. Support for new claim 24 is found in, for example, Fig. Fig. 6. Support for new claim 25 is found in, for example, pg. 21, lines 3-9. Support for claim 26 is found in, for example, pg. 21, lines 3-9. Support for new claim 27 is found in, for example, pg. 20, lines 1-20. Support for claim 28 is found in, for example, pg. 20, lines 1-20. Support for claim 29 is found in, for example, Fig. 4. Support for claim 30 is found in, for example, Fig. 4. Support for claim 31 is found in, for example, Fig. 7. Support for new claims 32 and 34 is found in, for example, Fig. 10. Support for new claim 33 is found in, for example, pg. 34, lines 4-11. Care has been taken to avoid the introduction of new matter. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Specification

The specification is objected to for informalities. Applicant greatly appreciates the courtesy of Examiner Maples in granting a telephonic interview with the undersigned on June 27, 2007. During the Interview, the filing of the original specification was discussed. The originally filed specification did not contain any incomplete words. The Pre-Grant Publication of the instant application also did not contain any incomplete words. However, the USPTO

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made technical errors during the scanning of the originally filed specification. The Examiner agreed to have the USPTO correct the technical errors made during scanning and withdraw the specification objection.

Claim Objections

Claims 8, 9, 12-14, 16 and 17 are objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper form because a multiple dependent claim cannot depend from another multiple dependent claim. Applicants respectfully submit that the objection is moot in view of the cancellation of claims 8, 9, 12-14, 16 and 17.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-7, 10-11, 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection is moot in view of the cancellation of claims 1-7, 10-11, and 15. It is respectfully submitted that new claims 18-34 comport with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Withdrawal of the foregoing rejection is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

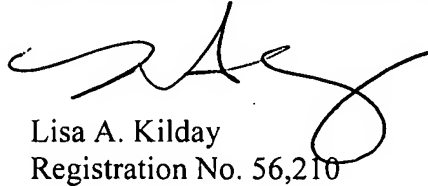
In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that this application should be allowed and the case passed to issue. If there are any questions regarding this Amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated to expedite the prosecution of the application.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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